BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Sierra Pacific Power Company (U 903 E) for an Order Authorizing an Immediate Interim Rate Increase, Subject to Refund and for Consideration of a Rate Stabilization Plan.

Application 01-06-041 (General Rate Case Phase filed April 1, 2002)

SCOPING MEMO OF THE ASSIGNED COMMISSIONER

- 1. This scoping memo applies to Applicant's general rate case phase of this application, Phase 2, filed April 1, 2002.
 - 2. This is a ratesetting proceeding.
 - 3. There is a need for an evidentiary hearing.
 - 4. The presiding officer is Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Barnett.
 - 5. The issue is the reasonableness of the proposed rate increase.
 - 6. Schedule:

January 17, 2003	ORA Testimony served.
February 7, 2003	All Parties' rebuttal testimony served.
February 25, 2003	Hearings begin, 10 a.m., in San Francisco.

7. Submission is expected by <u>April 7, 2003</u>. In no event will the Commission's final decision be later than August 29, 2003.

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8. Please mail two copies of all testimony and filings directly to ALJ Barnett. Dated August 5, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ LORETTA M. LYNCH
Loretta M. Lynch
Assigned Commissioner

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Scoping Memo of the Assigned Commissioner on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated August 5, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ KE HUANG Ke Huang

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